

PROGRESS REPORT OF CHIEF INVESTIGATOR, R. J. STRICKLAND, IN RE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA INVESTIGATION, FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 29 THRU OCTOBER 16, 1958.

Questioning of several subjects, mainly students at the University of Florida, has revealed a considerable homosexual operation being in existence at the above stated University. Subjects being questioned and information being given by same are as follows:

[REDACTED] Although very un-cooperative at beginning of deposition later admitted his participation in homosexual activity at the University and gave deposition about same.

[REDACTED] Although not a homosexual is very helpful and is now continuing to work in close cooperation with the investigator of this Committee. Said [REDACTED] being a student at the University of Florida.

It was learned that three subjects who formerly worked at the Burger House as part-time bartenders and were also students at the University of Florida might have considerable information in re of above stated investigation. These subjects are:

[REDACTED] [REDACTED], and one other whom we were only able to get his first name, which is [REDACTED]

Upon contacting these subjects we were asked to give them a little time to think the proposition over in re of our request. After four days having lapsed, said subjects were contacted again but at that time refused to give us any information in re of our investigation. It was also learned that one [REDACTED] N.W. 16th Ave., Miami, Florida who was a former roommate of [REDACTED] and a former student having graduated last year was a homosexual.

Deposition was taken from one [REDACTED] who was very cooperative although not being a homosexual furnished this Investigator with several names

who are possible homosexuals at the University of Florida and one name was [REDACTED] who admitted being same. Said [REDACTED] also gave other information and is continuing his work at this time in cooperation with this Committee.

[REDACTED] A student at the University of Florida was contacted and proceeded to give a deposition up to the point of naming names who he said he knew to be homosexuals both in the student body and in the faculty of the University of Florida. He refused to give any further information saying that it was against his code of ethics to meddle into other peoples business. He was later contacted and questioned very closely and asked to cooperate with this investigator, but refused to do so.

[REDACTED] A student at the University of Florida and a member of the SAE Fraternity was also questioned and cooperated with this Committee and will continue to do same, but at this point, is unable to name any person in re said investigation, but admits that on several occasions he was approached and will try to obtain the names of said persons who did same.

Other persons or students who have been contacted, but have been helpful to this Committee in one way or another are as follows:

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

The following information was obtained by surveillance on a house located at Cross Creek, Florida and these subjects are being held now under surveillance at this time for further contact:

1. 1958 Florida License No. [REDACTED] registered to [REDACTED] Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood, Fla., but car being in possession of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] N. W. 7th Avenue, Gainesville, Florida, and a student of the University of Florida, observed in attendance at a meeting at Cross Creek on the night of October 2, 1958.



[REDACTED] N.W. 3rd Avenue, Gainesville, Fla., formerly of Balding Utah, driving a 1954 Pontiac Convertible bearing 1958 Florida License Plate [REDACTED] Was observed in attendance and having dinner at the house at Cross Creek on the night of October 2, 1958, with three other people.

[REDACTED] N.W. 3rd Avenue, Gainesville, Fla. drives a 1958 Chevrolet 4 door Sedan bearing 1958 Florida License Plate No. 16-13083. Was also observed at Cross Creek house on the night of October 2, 1958 having dinner and subject [REDACTED] was present at same time.

On the night of October 6, 1958, it was observed that [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was in the Thirsty Gator Bar in the company of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] It was also learned through an anonymous subject who wishes his name to be withheld at this time, but is in full cooperation with this investigator, that a subject named [REDACTED] who is employed at the infirmary at the University as a pharmacist is also a homosexual and that a Professor, or Associate Professor named [REDACTED] is highly suspected of being same. There is some question in the minds of several students and other people as to the activities of one [REDACTED] who is in charge of the University Infirmary as to his being a homosexual for the reason that he on numerous occasions surrounds himself with boys, individually and in groups both throughout the University and his home. Also, that above subject on many occasions has been observed carrying at least two or three boys around with him in his 1958 Cadillac convertible.

Other people that have been observed at various times at the house located at Cross Creek include [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]